

includes a trashrack with 2-inch clear bar spacing. Water flows directly from the intake to a 36.5-foot-long, 36-foot-wide powerhouse that contains two Kaplan turbine-generator units. Water is discharged back into the Upper Ammonoosuc River directly from the turbines. There is no bypassed reach at the project.

Electricity generated at the project is transmitted to the electrical grid via two 0.48 kilovolt (kV) generator leads; three 0.48/34.5-kV transformers; and a 34.5-kV, 300-foot-long transmission line. The minimum and maximum hydraulic capacities of the turbine-generator units are 50 and 550 cubic feet per second (cfs), respectively. The average annual energy production of the project from 2013 through 2022 was 2,357 megawatt-hours.

The current license requires Powerhouse to operate the project in an instantaneous run-of-river mode to protect fish and wildlife resources, such that project outflow approximates inflow. Powerhouse maintains the impoundment at the flashboard crest elevation of 867.7 feet NGVD 29.

Under a subsequent license, Powerhouse proposes to continue the project as a run-of-river facility and does not propose any new PM&E measures.

m. A copy of the application is available for review on the Commission's website at <https://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the project's docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document (P-7883). For assistance, contact FERC at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or TTY (202) 502-8659.

You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

n. Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, and .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "PROTEST," "MOTION TO INTERVENE," "COMMENTS,"

"REPLY COMMENTS," "RECOMMENDATIONS," "TERMS AND CONDITIONS," or "PRESCRIPTIONS;" (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, recommendations, terms and conditions or prescriptions must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application. A copy of all other filings in reference to this application must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed on the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b) and 385.2010.

You may also register online at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/FERCOnline.aspx> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

o. For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, contact the Office of Public Participation at (202) 502-6595 or OPP@ferc.gov.

p. The applicant must file the following on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on June 5, 2026: (1) a copy of the water quality certification; (2) a copy of the request for certification, including proof of the date on which the certifying agency received the request; or (3) evidence of a waiver of water quality certification.

q. Final amendments to the application must be filed with the Commission on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on May 6, 2026.

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Dated: April 6, 2026.

Debbie-Anne A. Reese,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP26-75-000]

Texas Eastern Transmission, LP; Notice of Schedule for the Preparation of an Environmental Assessment for the Line 31 Expansion Project

On January 23, 2026, Texas Eastern Transmission, LP (Texas Eastern) filed an application in Docket No. CP26-75-000 requesting a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act to construct and operate certain natural gas pipeline facilities. The proposed project is known as the Line 31 Expansion Project (Project) and would provide up to an additional 125,000 dekatherms per day (Dth/d) of firm incremental natural gas transportation capacity on a segment of Texas Eastern's mainline pipeline system.

On February 6, 2026, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) issued its Notice of Application for the Project. Among other things, that notice alerted agencies issuing federal authorizations of the requirement to complete all necessary reviews and to reach a final decision on a request for a federal authorization within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's environmental document for the Project.

This notice identifies Commission staff's intention to prepare an environmental assessment (EA) for the Project and the planned schedule for the completion of the environmental review.¹ The EA will be issued for a 30-day comment period.

Schedule for Environmental Review

Issuance of EA June 15, 2026
90-day Federal Authorization Decision
Deadline² September 13, 2026

If a schedule change becomes necessary, additional notice will be provided so that the relevant agencies are kept informed of the Project's progress.

¹ For tracking purposes under the National Environmental Policy Act, the unique identification number for documents relating to this environmental review is EAXX-019-20-000-1773325462.

² The Commission's deadline applies to the decisions of other federal agencies, and state agencies acting under federally delegated authority, that are responsible for federal authorizations, permits, and other approvals necessary for proposed projects under the Natural Gas Act. Per 18 CFR 157.22(a), the Commission's deadline for other agency's decisions applies unless a schedule is otherwise established by federal law.

Project Description

Texas Eastern proposes to construct and operate approximately 10.2 miles of 36-inch-diameter pipeline (Line 31 Pipeline Loop), 1.6 miles of 16-inch-diameter pipeline (Line 14-P Lateral), a new compressor station (Ridgeline Compressor Station), and a new meter and regulator station (Ridgeland Meter and Regulator Station) in Madison County, Mississippi. The Line 31 Pipeline Loop would connect to Texas Eastern's Lines 14 and 18 at two new 30-inch-diameter crossover valves. The Line 14-P Lateral is connecting to Lines 14 and 18 and extending southward to a terminus at an interconnect with Entergy Mississippi, LLC's proposed Traceview Advanced Power Station (Traceview) in Madison County. The Ridgeland Meter and Regulator Station would be installed at milepost 1.6 of the Line 14-P Lateral and at an interconnect with Traceview. Texas Eastern would also construct the new Ridgeland Compressor Station which would contain three compressor units, each having a capacity of about 1,500 horsepower. Additional aboveground facilities would include main line valves, inspection gauge pig³ launcher/receivers, and cathodic protection along Line 31 Pipeline Loop and the Line 14-P Lateral.

Background

On March 4, 2026, the Commission issued a *Notice of Scoping Period Requesting Comments on Environmental Issues for the Proposed Line 31 Expansion Project* (Notice of Scoping). The Notice of Scoping was sent to affected landowners; federal, state, and local government agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American tribes; other interested parties; and local libraries and newspapers. In response to the Notice of Scoping, the Commission received comments from a potentially affected landowner. The primary issues raised include public safety, potential effects on ecosystems, soil compaction, compensation, property values, water resources, aquatic species, and cultural resources. All substantive comments will be addressed in the EA.

Additional Information

In order to receive notification of the issuance of the EA and to keep track of formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets, the Commission offers a free service called eSubscription. This

³ Pig launchers are essential devices in pipeline systems that facilitate the introduction of pipeline inspection gauges (pigs) for maintenance, cleaning, and inspection purposes.

service provides automatic notification of filings made to subscribed dockets, document summaries, and direct links to the documents. Go to <https://www.ferc.gov/ferc-online/overview> to register for eSubscription.

For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, contact the Office of Public Participation at (202) 502-6595 or OPP@ferc.gov.

Additional information about the Project is available from the FERC website (www.ferc.gov). Using the "eLibrary" link, select "General Search" from the eLibrary menu, enter the selected date range and "Docket Number" excluding the last three digits (*i.e.*, CP26-75), and follow the instructions. For assistance with access to eLibrary, the helpline can be reached at (866) 208-3676, TTY (202) 502-8659, or at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov. The eLibrary link on the FERC website also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rule makings.

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Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP26-156-000]

El Paso Natural Gas Company, L.L.C.; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization and Establishing Intervention and Protest Deadline

Take notice that on March 27, 2026, El Paso Natural Gas Company, L.L.C. (EPNG), P.O. Box 1087, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80944, filed in the above referenced docket, a prior notice request pursuant to sections 157.205, 157.208, and 157.210 of the Commission's regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA), and EPNG's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-435-000, for authorization to construct a 9-mile-long, 30-inch-diameter pipeline loop and appurtenances in Hudspeth County, Texas (Permian West Expansion Project or Project). The Project is designed to create an additional 82,229 dekatherms per day of firm transportation service, varying based on segment and month, on EPNG's Line No. 1100 system. EPNG

estimates the cost of the Project to be \$31,472,195, all as more fully set forth in the request which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

In addition to publishing the full text of this document in the **Federal Register**, the Commission provides all interested persons an opportunity to view and/or print the contents of this document via the internet through the Commission's Home Page (<http://www.ferc.gov>). From the Commission's Home Page on the internet, this information is available on eLibrary. The full text of this document is available on eLibrary in PDF and Microsoft Word format for viewing, printing, and/or downloading. To access this document in eLibrary, type the docket number excluding the last three digits of this document in the docket number field.

User assistance is available for eLibrary and the Commission's website during normal business hours from FERC Online Support at (202) 502-6652 (toll free at 1-866-208-3676) or email at ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov, or the Public Reference Room at (202) 502-8371, TTY (202) 502-8659. Email the Public Reference Room at public.referenceroom@ferc.gov.

Any questions concerning this request should be directed to Francisco Tarin, Director, Regulatory, El Paso Natural Gas Company, L.L.C., P.O. Box 1087, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80944, by phone at (719) 667-7517, or by email at Francisco_Tarin@kindermorgan.com.

Public Participation

There are three ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project: you can file a protest to the project, you can file a motion to intervene in the proceeding, and you can file comments on the project. There is no fee or cost for filing protests, motions to intervene, or comments. The deadline for filing protests, motions to intervene, and comments is 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on June 5, 2026. How to file protests, motions to intervene, and comments is explained below.

For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, contact the Office of Public Participation (OPP) at (202) 502-6595 or OPP@ferc.gov.

Protests

Pursuant to section 157.205 of the Commission's regulations under the